

Grand Forks County Correctional Center has compiled the following data regarding PREA reports and subsequent PREA investigation results for the year of 2015.

Grand Forks County Correctional Center: 2015

Inmate Allegations Made Towards Staff in 2015:

Sexual Abuse: (0) Unsubstantiated, (0) Substantiated, (1) Unfounded involving a male inmate and a contracted kitchen employee.

Sexual Harassment: (4) Unsubstantiated involving the same male officer and four male inmates in the same housing unit, (0) Substantiated, (0) Unfounded.

Voyeurism: (0) Unsubstantiated, (0) Substantiated, (0) Unfounded.

Inmate Allegations Made Towards Inmates in 2015:

Sexual Abuse: (1) Unsubstantiated involving female inmates, (0) Substantiated, (0) Unfounded.

Sexual Harassment: (5) Unsubstantiated; three involving female inmates and two involving male inmates, (1) Substantiated involving female inmates, (1) Unfounded involving female inmates.

The following is a final report of accomplishments achieved by GFCCC dated May 31, 2016.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: January – December 2015

Prevention Planning:

GFCCC has digital video cameras installed in every housing unit in the facility. In addition, GFCCC has digital video cameras installed in its observation/holding cells and segregation unit cells. Inmates are provided with education materials such as inmate handbooks and PREA brochures when they are transferred from a holding cell to general population.

Every completed PREA screening is reviewed by the shift supervisor before it is forwarded to the Administration for review. The screening answers are used in housing decisions to ensure the safety of all inmates. In 2015, a total of 4,970 inmates were booked in the Grand Forks County Correctional Center, which means that 4,970 PREA screenings have been processed, dependent on the willingness of the inmate.

The PREA Coordinator attended shift supervisor meetings to address any concerns about PREA implementation. Supervisor meetings occurred on June 2nd, October 6th, and October 27th.

Currently, GFCCC has inmate handbooks, PREA brochures, and PREA screening forms available in both English and Spanish.

All staff and contracted employees are fingerprinted and a background check is completed by the ND Bureau of Criminal Investigation.

GFCCC submitted RFPs to various vendors for the purpose of placing electronic kiosks in every housing unit. Once this project is completed, inmates will have access to PREA related information and education materials at any time in their housing unit. The electronic kiosk will also create another avenue to report for inmates.

Training and Education:

On September 24, 2015, (6) supervisory level staff and (2) members of administration attended the PREA Stakeholder Symposium in Fargo which was presented by The Moss Group in conjunction with the ND Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

All GFCCC staff was required to complete an online (2) credit hour course entitled "PREA: Sexual Abuse: Dynamics, Detection, and Reporting" by April 30th.

Additionally, all staff is required to review the PREA Policy by April 30th of each year and electronically acknowledge their understanding of its contents.

The week of November 2-6, 2015, the PREA Compliance Manager successfully completed the following National Institute of Corrections online courses: "PREA: Your Role Responding to Sexual Abuse" (3 hours), "PREA: Investigating Sexual Abuse in a Confinement Setting" (3hours), "PREA: Coordinators' Roles and Responsibilities" (3 hours), "PREA: Medical Health Care for Sexual Assault Victims in a Confinement Setting" (3 hours), "PREA: Behavioral Health Care for Sexual Assault Victims in a Confinement Setting" (3 hours), and "PREA: Audit Process and Instrument Overview" (3 hours).